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Staff Writer

This year LSUS students tak ing more than 6 hours in the summer will pay from \$100 to \$240 more than last year for the same

number of courses. Last fall LSUS began charging \$60 per credit hour as opposed to a flat tuition rate. It also raised the summer semester limit for tuition charges from six to 11

In the past, students paid a fixed rate of \$320 for six hours of courses in the summer and got additional hours for free. Because of the raised limit, students will have to pay \$60 per credit hour, up to the 11-hour

"It's totally illogical," student/teacher Alain Schoeder said. "I'm taking nine hours this summer. That is (half of what) I take during a regular semester. But instead of paying 50 percent of the regular semester price, I have to pay over 75 percent."

empathize with the students but after a certain point,



Dr. Wilfred Guerin

LSUS has to cover its expernditures," said Dr. Wilfred Guerin, acting chancellor. "Because a student is considered 'full time' doesn't mean that this fee is not supposed to increasee.

"The more hours a student takes, the more LSUS has to pasy for faculty, utilities, etc.// Guerin added. "We changed three student fee over to the hourtly charge because that was thee fairest way."

Larry Ferguson, associate vice chancellor said, "Summeer school was originally formeed with the idea that it would pay foor

mer semester costs LSUS comes out of the budget for the other semesters '

According to Ferguson, the income for the 1982 summer semester was \$258,842, while its expense was \$500,004, a difference of \$241,162. The 1987 summer income had risen to \$563,155, while the expenditures rose to \$652,273, a difference of only \$89,118.

"We are closing in on making the semester pay for itself," said Guerin. "LSUS is not raising fees to make the summer semester pay for itself, we are switching to an hourly charge to make things more fair. But, of course, we hope See Summer ...

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Candidates debate

BYKEVANSMITH Staff Writer

(Note: Results from the SGA lections were announced vesterday or 7:30 p.m. Since the paper is prining at the same time, the ALMAGEST is unable to print vinners this week.)

Candidates for SGA president debated Monday in the UC ballroom, facing questions from four students and challenges from each other.

SGA Presiden Elizabeth Humphreys spoke first, outlining her three point plan. She said she plans to increase the SGA student loan fund, to provide community service in eturn for funding and to be fair in her appointments.

"Our ticket," she said, "will reach out to all students, We reach out to all students. We will be fair to LSUS. LSUS has been thinking small but we're thinking big.

Panelist Jill Pollard asked Humphreys for examples of the service projects she plans.

Humphreys replied that the SGA could sell tickets for functions, like the Lions Club and Wheels Across America, sponsor a substance abuse awareness week, have LSUS adopt a city park and expand the SGA book drive.

Panelist Al Delaune asked Humphreys to explain her penefits to contraditional

Humphreys answered that her plans for an on-campus day care center show she cares for nontraditional students. Also, she will appoint nontraditional student Chris Carr as SGA ex (Constituted Hom,

ecutive secretary, she added. Candidate Royal Alexander

"I think the SGA needs a strong leader," he said, "and I don't think it has had one late-

Alexander said that the SGA president should "stand up to the administration.

He said his platform takes care of practical things - increasing library hours, eliminating drop add fees, getting more telephones on campus and providing a student phone directory. He also called for SGA reform.

Panelist Jeff Bradley asked Alexander, "Since it is a wellknown fact that you entered this campaign as a joke, why should we take you seriously?"

"That's silly," Alexander responded. He said he was serious about his candidacy and did not enter the race as a joke.

Panelist Lynn Borel asked Alexander about including In-Irafraternity Council and Panhellenic members in the SGA, and Alexander said he was in tavor of it.

Candidate Tom Bordelon began his statement with an assessment of the SGA.

"We're faced with a bad economic climate," he said. 'There's an outside party (special education master Paul Verkuil) trying to run the university; the state Legislature takes education hostage. But, in the SGA senate, it's politics as usual.

Bordelon explained why he thinks the SGA senate needs

See Debate...

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Fine Arts:

Department status sought

MATT FRAZIER Staff Writer

Currently, LSUS' fine arts program is housed within the communications department but if the Board of Regents approves, an individual fine arts department could be formed by the fall

In the fall of 1988, Dr. Mary Ann McBride, dean of liberal arts, Dr. Wilfred Guerin, acting chancellor, Dr. Dalton Cloud, chairman of communications and others, officially requested that LSUS' fine arts program be given departmental status.

"It was originally placed in the communications department for convenience," said Cloud.

Also, "The opening of the new administration building allowed LSUS to give the fine arts program its own space on the first floor of Bronson Hall," said

The LSUS administration



Dr. Donald Alexander

agreed with the proposal and submitted the motion to the Board of Supervisors this spring.

Earlier this month, the supervisors approved of the proposal unanimously. Now the only obstacle to the proposal is the Board of Regents.

"I see no objection coming from the board," said Cloud.

"They have already suggested that LSUS' communications

department be separated from the fine arts programs."

Guerin agreed "because iii would make use of presentily allocated funds. We have an exxcellent argument for the creation of a fine arts department."

The fine arts departmeent would not cost LSUS extrea money, said Guerin. Because iff would already have its own obffices and studios, no new office por utility expenses would bee necessary, he added.

Also, no new secretary would be required because the neew department's secretarial work would be handled by the commmunications departments' two secretaries, Guerin added.

"If LSUS' fine arts programm becomes a department...Thaat would give us credibility and helip us obtain grants and studeent scholarships," said Dr. Donatid

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It's hard to make a difference when...

By LORI NEJAME Managing Editor

"Why did you edit my letter?" a student asked as he stormed into the ALMAGEST office last Friday morning.

The student was upset because the ALMAGEST printed his Letter to the Editor; however, a paragraph contained in the original was deleted from the letter printed in the April 7 edition of the ALMAGEST. According to this student, that paragraph was the most important part of the letter.

The editor of the ALMAGEST told the student that due to limited space and attempts to print as many letters as possible the staff must, in some cases, edit letters before they are published.

But, he didn't take too kindly to the editor's explanation and he said, "I'll deal with you in my own way."

So, we tried to understand why this particular student found it so offensive that a portion of his letter was omitted. We found the original, reread it and compared it to the letter that was printed.

Granted, a paragraph was taken out but everything contained in that paragraph appears somewhere else in the letter, in one form or another.

This isn't the first time this has happened. One learns in journalism that a lot of the time people aren't pleased when something in print isn't to their liking.

It's hard to satisfy "all of the people all of the time." And besides, that's not our job. As journalists, our job is to report the news. Sound easy? Well, in fact, it's quite difficult at times.

The difficulty comes in many forms. To begin with, we try to make the newspaper interesting to the students, the faculty and the administration. This means reporting about goings-on around LSUS which affect everyone. And these story ideas don't just fall in our laps. We have to keep our ears and eyes open and ask questions. Sometimes, people are offended by questions we ask and by observations we make. But, we have a job to do.

Sure, we could ignore things we see and hear or try to sugar-coat stories or avoid controversy; but, we would be doing everybody a big injustice.

It's easy to criticize and point fingers and make demands when you're on the outside. On the other hand, it's hard to understand these criticisms (not constructive ones) when you're on the inside where you know there's a job to do and you hope you're doing the best you can to get it done and done right.

After some consideration, we're rather thankful that the student stormed into the office and let us know that he was angry (and that nothing we had to say would change things) because it made us think: So many people lately, the **ALMAGEST** staff included, have been playing the critic and talking about student apathy and lack of participation.

It's easy to be critical but, it's much more difficult to try to make a difference — as do the SGA, SAB, other campus organizations and each individual student, faculty member and administrator — when you're constantly met with accusations, apathy, criticism, rudeness, etc.



The hazards of being a journalist

By LILY DIZON

Have you ever had one of those, not days but, weeks where everything went wrong? You know, one of those seven day periods when Chaos brought every one of his friends by to see you and they wouldn't leave, fearing you may be happy with their departure?

if all started with a test I thought I studied for. Sound familiar? Then, it all went downhill from there.

One of the staff reporters, "because quitting is out of the question,...resigned" because she didn't want to do an assigned story. Right behind her heels

and hot on the same tracks, still another reporter had to be let go because he didn't do a story that was assigned two weeks ahead.

Next, a professor told me she didn't want "to be involved" in a story. However, she changed her mind and granted me an interview for a story that lif up the tire of yet another pro-

I reported a student's dissatisfaction with the professor's teaching method. The interview took place this past December.

After the publication of the story, a student went to the chairman of the communication department, claiming someone else had (perhaps) used her name for I had never inter-

viewed her. The "Mystery of Did She or Didn't She?" still, has not been solved, Possible explanations? A reporter was used. Someone lied.

So that makes four unhappy persons, including the professor. Then, came five: A former SGA senator wrote a letter to the editor which was edited for corrections and

space adaptation. The same senator, last Friday, charged into the ALMAGEST office and bellowed, "What gives you the right to edit my letter?" Before he left, he asked for my name and said, "Lity Dizon, I'll

remember you." That, however, wasn't the parting shot. Mr. Former Senator was heard saying, "I'll deal with you in my own way. Lily Dizon." There were two witnesses in the office.

What a week. What a profession. Journalism is the only occupation where you get to meet people, talk to them, look at a problem and if there is a problem, get lambasted for prinling/broadcasting it.

A journalist is human, and therefore, not above making mistakes. This is my formal sincere apology if I have indeed misrepresented anyone or any subject.

However, honest and unintentional mistakes aside, if what I have been doing is at tempting to find and print the truth as it has been reported from research or interviews.

then I've done my job and am proud of it. For that, I owe no, nor do I make any, apology and can consciously say, "I'm proud to be a journalist."

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Turning The Corner

Saving Grace

By TOM EYTON-JONES

Grace is the type of woman men dream -about: She's beautiful, talented, intelligent and (rats!) married. She has a lovely home, a financially solvent husband and a lovely child. She drives a fairly nice, comfortable, reliable car and has quite a few friends. Now, she's in college and her anxiety level has gone through the rooft.

Even though she isn't quite a June Cleaver, her story sounds like "The Beav's Mom Meets Leatherface." She feels that schoolwork is literally sawing ther apart; she is thinking about quitting college and returning to the life of full-time Mom and cookle baker. This is just her first semester. Why did this happen?

There are a million stories in the naked mall and this is just one of them. The ogre called Anxiety and the serial killer of disorganization are trying to claim another victim.

Grace is a nontraditional student, obviously, and has had to restructure her whole lifestyle to accommodate classes and studying; success is eluding her. She still tries to have dinner ready at the same time every day, make the beds. wash the clothes, feed the dog.

vacuum the rugs, sanifize the toilets, wash the dishes, go to PTA meetings and buy the groceries — just like she

always did. Her husband still goes to work; her child still goes to school and the family pet is still under foot or chasing the neighbor's cat.

Instead of rearranging these items or seeking help from the other members of the family.

she continues to di all these things herself. She does them because they are familiar, com-

fortable things she is used to do ing and knows how to do without any instruction

manuals; they are anxiety free. College is not. It makes her feel inadequate, illiterate, incompetent, stupid. But she is none of those things.

You may ask "What is/are the problem(s) here?" Good question. Here are some possibilities: (1) "Ward doesn't want "June" to be in college; therefore, she gets no supportat home. (2) the family wants her to succeed but isn't witting to make any sacrifices for that success, such as doing an occasional load of clothes, making their own beds or washing the dishes occasionally. (3) Grace has already made up her mind that the work is too hard and has accepted failure as an in-

evitable; (4) Grace hasn't done anything like this since high school and doesn't KNOW how to organize her study time or prepare for an exam; (5) being nontraditional, she feels like she is trespassing in someone else's domain and, therefore has no "right" to succeed ("This stuff is for kidmanyway!").

Any of these, or all of them, could be the cause(s) of Grace's problem. There are even more but they would take more space than my editor would willingly give me into order to list them.

For all the "Graces" out there, I must say this: You are not alone. Others have gone before you, suffered the same! anxieties and frustrations and survived with their mental facilities intact.

some of you have called meeting the past for advice but there are many more of your fellow, students who have strode they hallowed halls, organized their lives to accommodate the college experience and persevered to go on to greater successes. They have stain the same dragons you now face.

If you need help, you have, but to ask and hundreds of non-trads will be at your side to off ter aid, hoist you back on you horse, polish your sword and help you cross the battlefield they know the terrain well.

You can still vote

By KEVAN SMITH
Staff Writer

Sshh.

Let me tell you about a con spiracy.

On April 12 and 13, a small group of students decided your collegiate fate for a year. They stood around a table and wrote on a ballot what they want. Then, they left.

You probably saw them do it but you passed on, uncaring of their choices.

Do you know what they did? They voted in the SGA presidential and senatorial elections.

As I write this, I don't know if anybody won outright or if two tickets will meet in a runoff election April 19 and 20.

But, I can safely predict; based on previous elections, that less than 20 percent of the student body — 800 students — voted.

And, in the case of senators, that means one vote can literally decide a race.

If you are reading this at school, look around you now.

Which one of the people you see chose your senators and your executive branch?

Was it the frat boy in the

Ray-Bans? The bleach-blonde vanity factory? The "lifeexperienced" housewife? That weird newspaper writer?

Do you trust their judg-

Well, hoss, I can't guarantee anything, but you still might have a chance. If there is a runoff, you can still vote.

Your choices are halved but you can still do it.

Go to the University Center.

Match the campaign photos
with real faces. Ask them questions. Decide your vote on the
best answers.

And if you don't like any of the answers, you can write in a candidate. Dr. Gloria Raines, SGA advisor, jokes that in the past, Snoopy and Mickey Mouse have come close to winning the SGA presidency.

This time we're lucky. Any one of the four tickets would likely be good SGA leaders, so a runoff means choosing the greater of two goods.

But, if a ticket won already, taking around 401 votes, then this column is useless.

You can glare at that frat boy all you want but he voted, setting aside his beer can long enough to make a difference.

And you're stuck with it.

We Missed Your Letters This Week!

Write Us!

Is the SGA doing an effective job as the student government body at LSUS?





LISE HARDWICK, fine art senior: "I don't know how well they are doing but I have noticed them being active in various issues."



AL DELAUNE, accounting/computer science senior:
"Since I don't ever hear any positive things about the SGA around campus, I have to really wonder what they are doing!"



sophomore: "The SGA is doinloing an excellent job consideriering LSUS is a commuter school wimith average age student being 26 26. Those are tough obstacles to to overcome."



ROBERT SMITH, criminal justice senior: "They're doing a fair job considering what they have to work with. If anything, the students are so apathetic toward student government (giving the leaders) nothing to work with."



GENA BENNETT, criminal justice junior: "No, the vice president is doing everything. I don't feel the rest of them do anything..."

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Writing lab serves as 'tape recorder'

Staff Writer

Charles Poore once said of his profession: "An essayist is a lucky person who has found a way to discourse without being interrupted."

What Poore failed to consider is that for some people, writing has the same interruptions as speech, Interruptions such as problems in organization, structure and content can be frustrating. However, the writing lab in BH 263 can help writers transcend these interruptions and improve their writing skills.

Kristina Nemec, a tutor for the writing lab, sees a variety of



Student uses lab to study.

graduates to English 005, details in students' papers. But, students form the young to the old. Nemec looks for organization, content and structural

she said, "I don't redo anyone's

What Nemec does is try to "have people write from the heart," which she said, "...is the most important of all."

Nemec also serves as a sounding board for students' ideas. "Sometimes they need a human tape recorder,' she said.

Patricia Statham, psychology sophomore, appreciates this because "It's nice to get some feedback on my papers before I turn them in," she said.

While tutors enjoy having students come back and tell them what kind of grades they made,

responsible for grades. Our task is to help (students) learn how to write better.

Anna Rieve, writing lab coor dinator, cleared up another misconception about the writing lab, saying, "It's not a proofreading service. We help find strengths and weaknesses in writing." Rieve also said the writing lab is for papers in any subject, not just English because its purpose is to improve writing.

Dr. Patricia Bates, chairman

See recorder...

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Students land jobs

By James Paradise Contributing Writer

Students from the LSUS computer science department are getting quite a reputation in Tex-

According to Carol Hall, chairman of computer science, six computer science majors have landed jobs with Texas Instruments. These hirings come on the heels of the first place finish in a recent computer programming contest held at Texas A&M.

The six students beginning their careers at Texas Instruments are Karl Minor, Richard Wilt, Troy Conly, Robert Trieste, Jackie Dean and Nam

Hall said that she received a notice in early March that Texas Instruments would be hiring 15 "C" language programmers, for students have been chosen from a a two year project developing an field of 600 computer science maautomated manufacturing system. Hall said she then States. Hall feels that this is a notified several students who were able to program in "C" and well individuals and institutions

After Hall notified the students, she said, they sent resumes and applications to Texas Instruments. The week before spring break, the students were flown to Dallas to be inter-

Troy Conly, one of the six students chosen, said that the interviews were conducted in two different manners. One group, in addition to interviews, presented a software engineering project they developed during the fall of

A second manner of interview ing was conducted by personnel from different divisions within Texas Instruments. Seven individuals from personnel, systems engineering and automated manufacturing interviewed the candidates for the better part of the day.

Hall said that the six LSUS jors from across the United remarkable feat and shows how were above average in the field respect the computer



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BYKEVANSMITH Staff Writer

Dr. Laurence M. Hardy, biology professor and director of the Museum of Life Sciences, shows Elm Grove Middle School students a slide show at the museum.

"Ooh, gross," say the girls at a frog, while the boys say, "Neat."

One boy, probably not a future scientist, says, "Yeah, I ate one of those once," as he's shown a soft-shell turtle.

Scenes like these will soon cease because the Museum of Life Sciences, 8015 St. Vincent Ave., officially went on the market last year, said Dr. Lyle Cook, dean of the College of Sciences. The museum has been for sale since it was donated by Pennzoil in 1985.

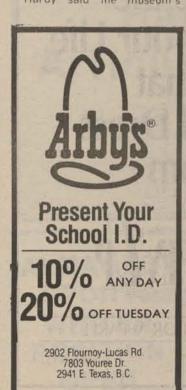
Pennzoil originally donated the \$3 million facility to LSUS as an engineering lab, said Cook. But when those plans fell through, the museum moved in.

Cook said its current price is between \$1 and \$1.5 million but, the price could rise when the nearby 1-49 interchange opens. J. Wesley Dowling and Associates is the real estate firm selling the museum.

The museum holds more than 32,000 scientific specimens. Its herbarium is considered the best collection of northwestern Louisiana flora in the world and its zoological collection is similarly

But, said Hardy, the museum is more a research museum than a display museum. More than 20 research projects with museum specimens are in progress.

Hardy said the museum's





Museum for sale!

budget is \$3,000. Cook said it probably needs around \$30,000, but \$300,000 would make it excellent.

"The more money we could spend," said Cook, "the better the museum we could have. Right now, we are at the very bottom of what we need to even have a museum."

Bare-bones funding causes problems for the museum. The air conditioning is broken causing decay of specimens and services have been cut back.

Hardy said that while the lack of air is not good for the stuffed specimens, it's more harmful to the liquid specimens which would evaporate without constant care.

Also, said Hardy, "We need lots of equipment. Ideally, we would like to have at least one full-time secretary. And we'd like to have student workers. Right now, it's difficult to get much

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Hardy and Cook agree thatat one of the museum's main valueses is its public service role.

Said Hardy, "We probablyly generate more public sympathyhy than the University itself becausese of the thousands of schoolol children we reach each year. Anind the teachers love what we're dodoing.

Cook said that money from thehe sale of the museum would be useded as an endowment for the collegege of sciences. Interest from thehe money would be used for a newew

He said LSUS has talked to to Boots Pharmaceuticals, Inche. about donating its Line Avenuaue site for the museum. Anothener possible location is an annex to to the Science Building called for in in the capital outlay budget.

Either way, said Hardy, "If'It would take months for us to acactually move the museum's collectedtions.

"We like the facility wewe have," he said, "but it neededs serious repair. For example, thehe roof leaks. There are some areasas of the facility we can't ususe because the roof leaks."

Said Cook, "I like to use thine museum as a symptom of what's happened to LSUS and higher education. So many people have worked so hard with nothing to 190 with and done an outstanding

There is a critical need foror volunteers at the museumm. Anyone interested in helping should call 226-7174.

(Continued from Page 4) of the English department, developed the lab in 1974. As an English professor, she has notice the difference the lab makes, she said. "The student who uses the lab tends to make, more gains in (his) writing,

Bates also appreciates the service the lab provides for teachers as well. With professors' heavy schedules, the students can turn to the writing lab for assistance. There, "They get the detailed attention I might not be able to give them in class," she said.

As writing lab coordinator, Rieve tutors, keeps up with statistics and supervises other tutors. The main request she hears among students is for the lab to be opened for some kind of weekend hours, she said.

She would like the hours of the lab to coincide with the hours of the library, a possibility which may be realized in the near future. Rieve added.

One student who would like to see that happen is Ann Salvucci, public relations senior, "When they've got enough people there, it's good.

But when they don't have enough people, you have to sit around and wait," she said.

Salvucci remembered waiting as long as an hour-anda half for assistance on one oc casion, she said. She feels hav ing the lab open with the library would solve this problem.

Statham shares the same complaint, but for the most English to the writing lab. don't know what I would have done in English if I hadn't gone there," she sald. Statham took English 105 nine years ago, she said, and panicked when faced with taking English 115 - both freshman English courses.

But, the writing lab eased her fears. "(The tutors) are like counselors because people do panic and they (tutors) calm them down," said Statham.

When her English classmates complain of dificulties in writing their papers, Statham refers them to the writing lab. "They don't realize how helpful (the attendants) are," she said.

Like Statham, Nemec praised the existence of the lab, ad ding, "It seems to be promoting itself. It's working.

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Fine Arts students win awards

Historically speaking, a dark horse candidate is a candidate that is relatively unknown and thought unlikely to win. But fine arts students Adrian Carmack, Laura Knottek, and Liz Roberts the illustration category, is a fine recently defied the odds when the Dark Horse Futurity show accepted their work in a year in which two thirds of all regional art entries were rejected.

According to Lamoyne Bat ten, fine arts instructor, the Dark Horse Futurity Show is a juried competition open to any student currently pursuing a graphic design degree at any university

professional art directors from advertising agencies used "real world" professional criteria to judge the students' work.

Carmack, whose "Bullwinkle Changed" won second place in arts freshman who wants to go in-

to advertising. Carmack is in terested in design and illustration because as he says, "That's what I do best."

Knottek, a fine arts senior, also wants to go into advertising. "Commercial art is my vocation, fine art is my avocation," said Knottek, "I've been drawing ever since I was old enough to hold a



Adrian Carmack; not available for photo: Laura **Knottek and Liz Roberts** crayon. I like design

Two of Knottek's entries

Carmack is interested in design and illustration because as he says. "That's what I do best."

"Staple" and "Stamp Continua tion" were accepted into the show. It's the first time her work

has been in a show like this. "I feel like I'm doing something right. It's an affirmation of talent. I feel encouraged, like I'm on the right track," said Knottek.

Liz Roberts, fine arts senior, was also encouraged by the show's acceptance of her work. "It gave me a sense of ac

She didn't think her entry, "Female Figure." would do that well because, as she says, ...there were others that I thought should have been picked bisides mine."

"She's very modest," classmate Ashley Deckard said.

"Some of the things that were turned down were pretty outstanding," Batten said, but added he feels "pretty good" about his student's performance.

The show will run from April 26 to May 7 on the fifth floor of the Prescott Memorial Library at Louisiana Tech. An opening reception will be held on April 26.

Briefs Famous author

Thursday, April 20, at 7:30 p.m., Ernest Gaines, author of A Guthering of Old Men and The Autobiography of Miss Jane Pitman, will give a lecture and reading in the UC Theater.

The event is sponsored by the LSUS Department of English and Student Activities Board, the Black/White Communications Task Force, Shreveport Regional Arts Council and the English Speaking Union.

Free tickets are available in advance. For more information call 425-8912 or go to the English office in BH258.

Essay strategies

The Academic Profile test will be given on April 19. The test is comprised of an English as well as a math section. There is also an essay portion of the test which is optional.

On April 18, at 10:30 a.m. in BH108, Dr. Merrell Knighten, assistant professor of English and Dr. Nancy Wilhelmi, Academic Resources Coordinator, will meet with students who want to discuss strategies for the essay part of the test.

Handford

On April 8, Dr. Charlene Handford, associate professor of communications, spoke at the Southern Communication Con-

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vention in Louisville, Ky.

The topic she discussed was "Teaching Criticism via the TV Evangelists," an "unusual" course which Handford put together and has taught.

Scholarships

Jacqueline Drakes of Bossier City and Sherrie Gammage, Pamela Hamilton, Gloria Harr ington, Stephanie Moore, Vonia Reed, Shirley Rhodes, Darrell White and Dionne Williams, all of Shreveport are nine minority students selected for Annie Lowe Stiles scholarships at LSUS in recognition of their academic achievements, according to Edgar L. Chase, director of student services and financial aid.

The scholarships are funded by the Stiles Trust, which is administered by the Community Foundation of Shreveport/

Near-sighters!

Thursday, April 27, at 7 p.m. in the Caddo-Bossier room of the UC there will be a lecture/slide presentation on "Radial Keratotomy/Near-Sighted Surgery: Is It For You?"

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Photography

Lamoyne Batten, associate professor of fine arts, will direct 'Basic Photography," a noncredit short course which will be

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offered beginning April 18.

The course will be available on Tuesday evenings through June 6.

Awards

Tuesday, April 18, the Thirteenth Annual Student Activities Awards Convocation will be held in the UC Theater during the common hour. The program is designed to honor students who exemplify ideals of leadership and service in the university community.

Individual student organizations will present awards. Also, the university will officially recognize the recipients of Who's Who Among Students American Universities and Col-

Rath

Dr. Sura Rath, assistant professor of English and assistant to the vice chancellor, spent the fall semester in India.

During this time, he began

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editing a book length project Orissa: A View Towards Culture. The book will be a reference source for researchers on the art, architecture, dance, music, painting and literature of Orissa

Interns

Two LSUS students, Christine Wainwright and Walter George, will be traveling to Washington,

D.C. to perform internships in Congressman Jim McCrery's (4th, La.) office.

The internship will run from May 15-June 15 during which time the participants will gain hands on experience learning the

functions of Congress as well as the inner-workings of a Congres sional office.

Bridger

Dr. Gale Bridger, associate vice chancellor for academic affairs, is the author of a resource

section in the new book Institutional Effectiveness and Outcomes Assessment Implementation on Campus: A Practitioner's Handbook.

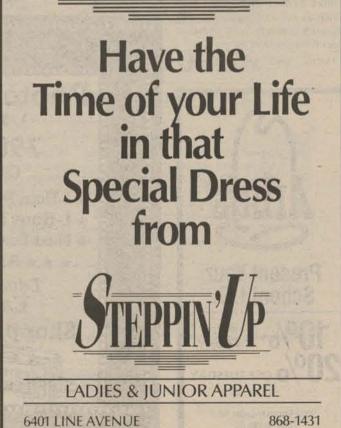
Bridger's section is entitled "Attitudinal Surveys in Institutional Effectiveness."

Star party

Friday, April 14, at 8 p.m., the Shreveport Astronomical Society will sponsor its first spring star

party at the LSUS tennis court parking lot.

For more information call Dr. Cran Lucas at 797-5244.



First, there were three:



Left to right: John Madrid, Marty Johnson, and Todd Phillips

Then, there was one

Winner of Spring Fling's **Body Building** Contest:

> Marty Johnson



Foster crosses racial line

BY KEN KURIGER Sports Editor

Twenty-nine years ago, thene University of Georgia became aren integrated institution. With there first black student came there hopes of a thousand more. Theyey had waited for decades and nowow the change had happened. Highener education was fully a part of of equal rights.

With this in mind, it's hard to to believe Maxie Foster, presently av a health and physical educationon instructor at LSUS, enrolled as as Georgia's first non-white scholanerathlete in 1968. Eight years afterer integration a Bulldog would be be

"I'm not sure they'd haveve allowed me to compete if myny sport had been a big moneyey sport," Foster said. "In fact, I acactually wanted to play basketballall as a freshman, but because thehe people who gave the big buckss didn't want blacks, it couldn't !

That's a shame. Foster excellied in basketball at Athens High School. In 1966, he had been the the first black to play varsity aty at Athens High, situated a newspaper toss from his future ture alma mater. His court endeavors vors would have earned him a spot orot on most any college roster-if he'de'd been white.

Two years after Fostester entered Georgia, the Universitysity of Alabama basketball teamam started five blacks and went to to

Basically, the teachers graded in line with their particular level of prejudice. So doing diligent work

amounted to rolling the dice. At least Foster had control over his other requirement performing on the oval.

While running track, he didn't have to deal with someone rear ranging his accomplishments. His times were his, whether meet officials liked it or not (please refer to Jesse Owens in Hitler's '36 Olympics) and Foster consistently made the "required"

Unfortunately, the supposedly democratic realm of college athletics was far from being free of racist undertones.

"When we went to the VMI Relays in Virginia, they almost didn't allow the team to stay in the hotel we had booked," recalled Foster. "Just because I was with the team, one black, we had

The ugliness of the situation waned as coaches and hotelry hosts eventually managed to concur. The Georgia track team staved at the hotel for a weekend without incident. But the ludicrous nature of the problem still lines the back of Foster's

"That's the way the South worked," he said. "If a black and a white disagreed on an issue, it carried into all issues. Instead of 'OK, we disagree on this but we're still compatible," it was simply 'I don't like you."

To some extent, the Don't Like You Syndrome is still around, not only in the South but everywhere. And Maxie Foster hopes the belllap is nearing in the race of racial



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Maxle Foster, 1989

the National Invitational Tourna ment (it was still prestigious back then). The oppression promptly ended, with the radically obvious change coming in the

Instead of basketball, Foster chose to run track. He received scholarship for school and living expenses, as long as he fulfilled two requirements. First, he had to pass his classes.

"I could handle my work just fine," he said. "But the teachers were a different story." He went on to talk of the pressure he faced as a black student.

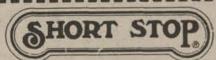
"Even though the school was 'integrated,' I could walk across campus and not see another black. In class, there was nobody I could ask for the notes if I hap pened to miss a day.

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Summer ...

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that the raise in tuition will help."
Guerin said that the cost in

crease shouldn't affect most summer students because the majority of students take 6 hours or less.

Julie Reed, liberal arts junior said she will only be able to afford one class this summer. "If it was less expensive I could take 6 to 9

Arts...

ment.

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Alexander, fine arts coordinator
for the communications depart

"Our program would have a chance to grow," he added.

The fine arts program would be eligible for accreditation by the National Organization of Schools of Art and Design two years after it obtained departmental status, Alexander said.

In the fall of 1988 there were 50 fine arts and nine fine arts/education majors.

Debate...

(Continued from page 1) reform; "Wholesale appointments are being made in cases of graduating senators or cases of grades and bills are not being researched enough."

Borel asked him to point out racism on campus.

"I'm not here to identify the problem," Bordelon said. "It's more innate than anything else."

Bradley asked why he and running mate Lam Nguyen switched positions on their ticket.

Bordelon responded that his business experience makes him ideal for the presidency, while Nguyen's strength would be leading the senate. hours and graduate sooner," she added.

Last summer 682 of the 2,441 students enrolled in the summer semester took more than 6 hours. The average hours taken was 5.56. The number of hours taken has risen slightly over the last-four years.

Both Ferguson and Guerin said they see no fee increase for the next year but that it is still too early to tell.

"There are 11 physics majors and 298 biology majors, so the number of majors does not make the department," said Cloud.

What matters is the number of credit hours the department generates. Since at least one fine arts class is required in many majors, the fine arts program serves many students, Cloud added.

Guerin and Cloud hope the fine arts department will gain approval by the Board of Regents this spring so that the change to departmental status can be effective by the fall of 1989.

Candidate Dale Kaiser spoke next, stressing experience as key in the election. Kaiser has over five years in the SGA and he has worked in Shreveport for two.

Kaiser said he would involve the community in LSUS, be an accessible president and he agreed that the SGA needs reform. He said he would "put teeth into the constitution," and that he would lobby state legislators to support LSUS.

Delaune asked him, "Why, as a voter, would I believe you won't abuse the presidency?"

Kaiser responded that he wouldn't and that his record shows he hasn't abused SGA offices

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Not only has April been declared Mathematics Education Month but April 23-30, the last week of April, has been designated both as Math Awareness Week and National Science and Technology Week.

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Although a heated battle of problem solving would be most

enjoyable, the faculty decided a little light hearted battle of words would serve to truly convince you of the "delight" of mathematics.

Many of you have already been solving the word-search puzzles provided by the courtesy of Carol Hall, chairman of the computer science department. Well, wet your whistle on this one and get ready for the BIG Hidden Math Terms Competition to be held Thursday, April 27, 1989, from 10:35:11:05 a.m.

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